

SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT BACKLOG

Monthly Report from Cross-Functional Team

May2014

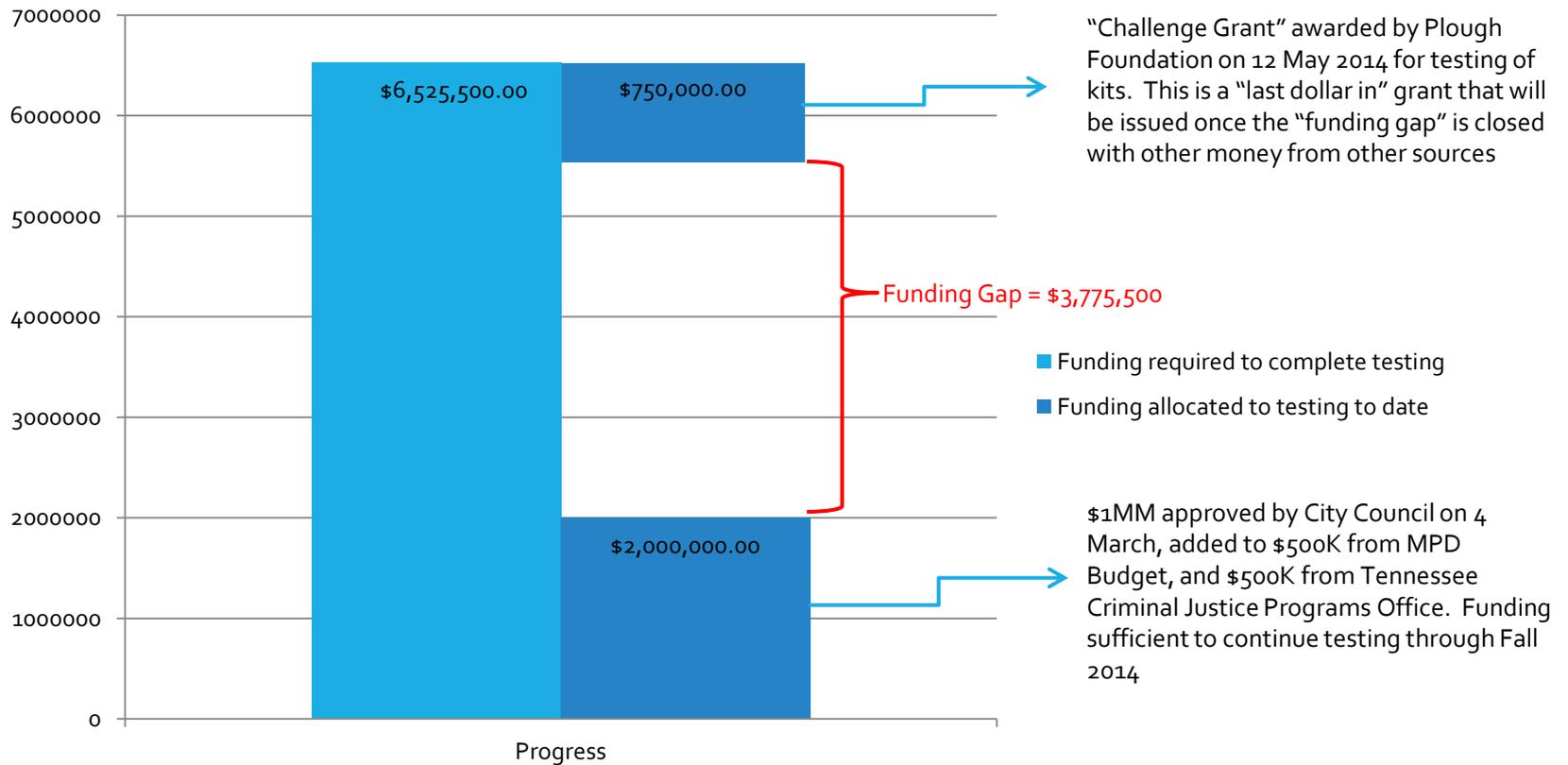
Status of Executive Order Action Items

| | Executive Order Action | Status |
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| ✓ | MPD Inventory backlogged kits | <u>Complete.</u> 12,164 baseline |
| ✓ | MPD maintain policies for prompt processing of all new sexual assault kits, refine procedures in keeping with best practice | <u>Complete.</u> Revision to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau with new policies and procedures that mandates the forensic analysis of all newly collected sexual assault kits, and governs the processing of newly collected sexual assault kits |
| ✓ | MPD build KPI ensure performance is measured and tracked for success | <u>Complete.</u> Revision to Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau establishes accountability and key performance indicators for the processing of newly collected kits (SAK will be submitted for analysis within ninety six (96) hours of being tagged in Property and Evidence unless uncontrollable circumstances prevent it). |
| | MPD Develop Policies that give full respect to rights, privacy, and dignity of victims, and compassionate timely notification | Revision to Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Investigative Services, Appendix H Sex Crimes/Juvenile Abuse Bureau with new policies and procedures that: governs victim interaction that respects the rights, privacy and dignity of victims, and governs victim notification with respect to sexual assault kit processing, analysis and results. Public Session 16 April 2014, Deep Dive conducted on 16 April, Completing action items from Deep Dive |
| ✓ | CAO and MPD convene a community conversation with appropriate organizations about response to victims | <u>Completed</u> Wednesday, January 22, 2014 2PM-3:30 PM at Airways station with representatives from community and system victim advocate organizations. Follow-on meeting sponsored by CAO/MPD and facilitated by Joyful heart Foundation held 11 February with system and community victim advocates. <u>Will continue with quarterly community conversations / info sessions to share progress. Next community meeting mid-July</u> |
| ✓ | MPD present monthly reports to Mayor and Council status of remedial plan and current operations | <u>Ongoing.</u> |

Status of DNA Evidence Storage Room: Construction Project Timeline and Progress

- A & E Contract Execution 01/02/14
- Design Programming Phase submittal (15 days) 01/26/14
- City Review (14 days) 02/07/14
- Schematic Design submittal (15 days) 02/21/14
- City Review (14 days) 03/07/14
- Design Development submittal (30 days) 04/07/14
- City Review (14 days) 04/18/14
- Construction Document submittal (45 days) 05/30/14
- City Review/Code Enforcement review (30 days) 06/30/14
- Bid Date 07/11/14
- Construction Contract Execution (60 days) 09/12/14
- Construction (4 months) 01/12/15

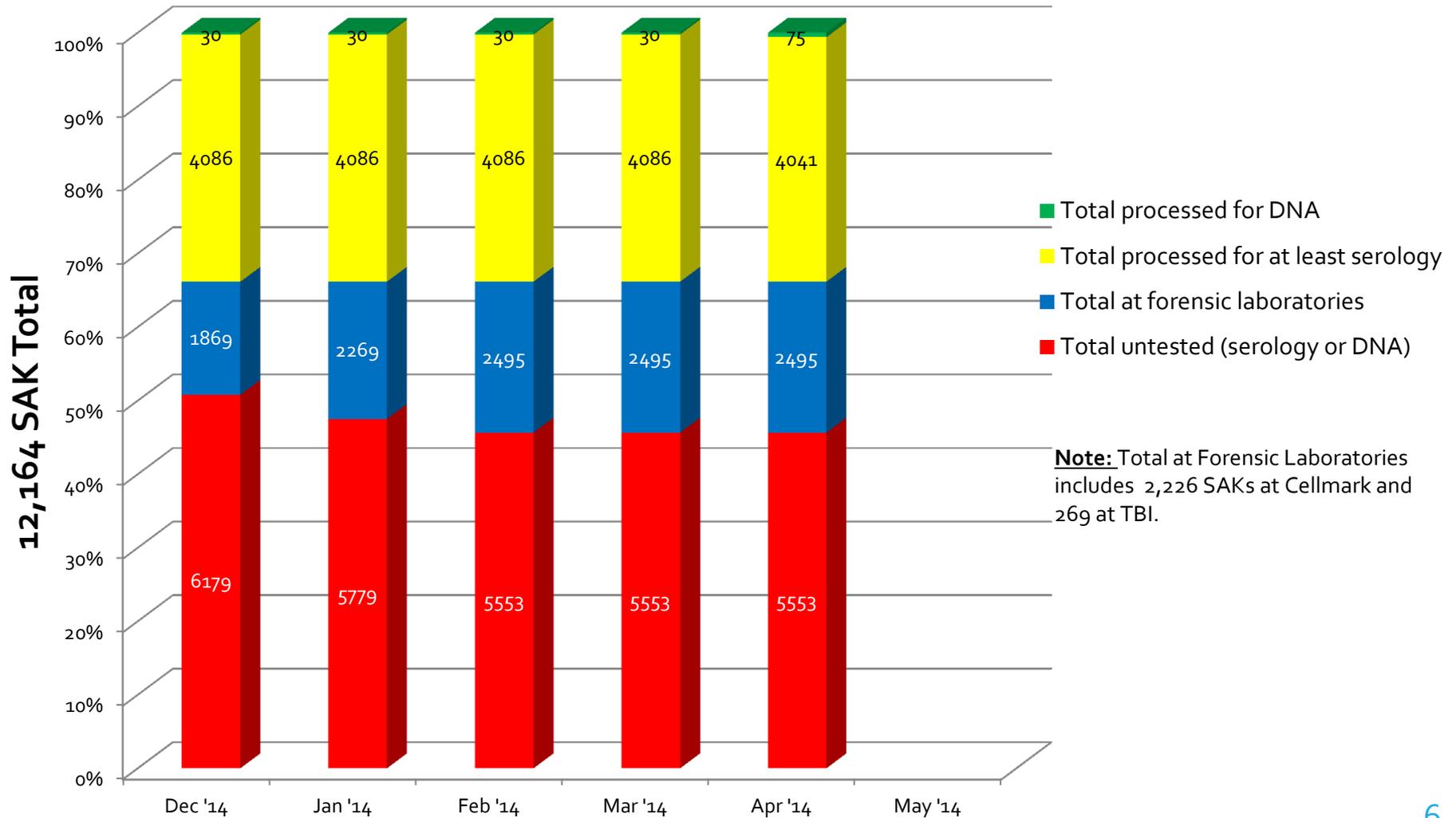
Status of funding for testing



Grant Opportunities

- **Plough Foundation “Challenge Grant” awarded 12 May 2014**
 - \$750,000.00 “last dollar” grant that will be issued when all other funds are raised
 - Contingent on commitment to testing all 12, 164 kits in the backlog
- **Solving Cold Cases with DNA program. (CFDA 16.560) Due May 27**
 - MPD applying for up to \$300K for case review, location of evidence, and DNA analysis
 - Period of grant: October 1, 2014, to September 30, 2016.
- **DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program. (CFDA 16.741) Due June 2**
 - State of TN Eligible for estimated \$2,350,758.00
 - TBI applying. Memphis CFT providing local support for grant submission
- **Proposed New FY15 White House/DOJ Grant Program to Test More Rape Kits and Improve Sexual Assault Investigations**
 - Total amount proposed \$35M
 - CFT will apply when grant program is announced and open for applications

Status of Shipping and Testing Kits



Testing Results

- As a result of serology and/or DNA analysis, 99 investigations have been initiated:
 - 52 investigations remain active
 - 47 investigations have been closed:
 - **16** individuals were identified that had been previously convicted of the crime
 - **14** indictments have been issued against persons or DNA profiles
 - **5** victims/suspect are deceased
 - **8** victims declined to participate
 - **2** cases have passed the statute of limitations
 - **2** DNA degraded